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TYPICAL OF HER SEX

Staunton Evening Leader

Students of athletic form are still discussing the manner in which a thirty-year-old Dutch mother of two children cleaned up on the Olympic track. They are unable to comprehend how this unknown woman defeated the best the world had to offer, and how she equalle or broke records with true feminine distain.

Here is an example which gives true insight into feminine character. While the male of the species may continue to be smug in his boasted superiority, he shows up in second place in many and varied comparisons. He fails by five years to attain the average age of woman. Doctors say he cannot endure pain with the same fortitude and lack of complaint. Woman have the will to do—meet any and all obstacles.

The success of the Dutch mother who won over the best of competition by sheer determination, is typical of her sex.

EXPLANATION

New Orleans State

John Gunther says he will take a holiday from writing. Probably ran out of things to get inside of.

ON STYLES IN WOMEN

Ashland Herald-Progress

Harry Conover, the gentleman who operates one of the world's leading model agencies and ought therefore to be an authority on the most popular shapes and sizes in American womanhood, especially of the young and marriageable variety, says that the public taste in womanhood is changing. No longer is the slim, slinky and half starved looking young thing the tasty embellishment of the magazine cover that it used to be. Now, says Conover, the public demands them shorter, sweeter and chubbier.

If you care for figures (we mean of the plain old arithmetical variety) the man says that the old time cover girl was 5 feet 8 inches tall and weighed 115 pounds. She had a 22 inch waist, 33 inch bosom and 33 inch hips. Today, he says, the cover girl is an inch shorter, weighs up to 120 pounds and has a 24 inch waist, 34 bosom and 34 and one-half inch hips.

LAW ENFORCEMENT RECORD

Washington, D. C. Evening Star

There is statistical evidence in the annual report of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as to why this agency is so feared by the underworld and respected by the public at large. Director Hoover's report for the past fiscal year shows that of all persons brought to court as a result of FBI investigations, 97.1 per cent were convicted. Even more impressive is the fact that only 6.7 per cent of those convicted actually were tried. The remaining 93.3 per cent spared the Government the expense of trouble of trials by pleading guilty.

There is a reason for this remarkable record. The FBI does not consent to go to court with a case until it is convinced in its own mind that the defendant is guilty and, more important still, that the evidence is so ironclad that a jury will be similarly convinced. When the defense learns the nature of the evidence which the Government intends to produce, a guilty plea usually is fortcoming.

The thoroughness of the "full-field" investigations instituted by the FBI in some 2,600 loyalty cases may have had something to do with the decision of 438 Federal employes to resign before the inquiries were completed. . .

The success of the President's loyalty program is due in large part to the care with which the FBI has done its difficult job. The record is such as to inspire confidence in the continuing efforts of the bureau to protect the public and the Government from major enemies of every kind, from spies to kidnapers.

WE'VE BEEN TOO SLOOMY!

St. Louis Post-Dispatch

The publication of a new dictionary —a very good one— a few months ago brought forth dozens of pieces about the perfectly marvelous way in which the English language is getting richer and richer. But now The Saturday Review of Literature reports that the editor of a new Shakespeare found it necessary to explain no less than 2400 words occurring in the text. That's quite a few!

Science, industry, war and the other activities of contemporary man have made additions to the language, a few of them perhaps permanent. But these are not as impressive as most of the Shakespearian words which now call for explanatory footnote. We do not care enough for the niceties of meaning.

Happily, such indifference seems self-limiting. Just so much sloomyness is tolerated, then reaction sets in. Good words have a way of coming back. As the SRL points out, deft, blurt, gab, kindle, glower, glamor, hot-foot, grab, grip, maledorous, forbear, foreword, afterword, lush, reek, slogan, kink, dump, croon, cleave, mole and monger "had virtually disappeared toward the end of the nineteenth century, have since been rediscovered and are in common use today." So there's hope for sloominess and many another.

Sloominess? Oh, to Shakespeare it meant dullness, laziness, heaviness, and sleepiness all at once.

Modern Love Letters Are Franker Than Ever Before

CHICAGO.—Modern love letters are franker and more straightforward than ever before in history, a Chicago librarian says. They make some of the classics of literature look as dull as a catalog at a locomotive factory.

Men come in all the time to get ideas from the great love letters," Miss Nordica Fenneman said, "but I'm afraid they don't follow the example. These modern romeos are in a faster league altogether."

From old Roman days to the Victorian period, suitors spent at least 1,500 words and half a dozen letters leading up to saying "I love you," Miss Fenneman said.

They talked about their loved one's "classic beauty," of the inspiration of nature, and the tender emotions aroused by a rippling brook. They started out with "Dearest Friend" and ended up with "My fondest affections," without ever getting down to brass tacks.

Benjamin Franklin spent several hundred words talking about "Socrates," "Elysian Fields," and numerous other things before proposing to a French widow.

The writers of the romantic and Victorian periods considered it unfashionable to rush straight to the point in a letter. They demanded plenty of trappings and all the evasion possible.

"Love letters formerly were very ornate," Miss Fenneman said. "They had long words, a lot of imagery, flowery phrases and all sorts of literary references. They were in every respect the exact opposite of the current style."

Suitors today may dig in the letters of the Brownings and the story of Omar Khayam for quotations to illustrate points in their letters, she said. But they don't copy the style.

"They get right to the point now," she said, "and, confidentially, I think the girls like it a lot better."

Big push to revive Europe is set by ECA.

India takes over all of Hyderabad in brief expedition.

Franco and Peron consider exchange of visits.

Israel cabinet approves laws outlawing terrorist groups.

Tax program of new French government approved.

Russia to withdraw all troops from North Korea by first of year.

THE BIBLE SPEAKS

International Uniform Sunday School Lessons

By DR. KENNETH J. FOREMAN

SCRIPTURE: Acts 16:14; 17:2-15; Corinthians 4:16-21; 16:10-11; 17:10-15; Thessalonians 2:19; I Thessalonians 1:3-10; II Thessalonians 3:5-14; 3:16-18.

DEVOTIONAL READING: Psalms 119:129-136.

Faith: A Family Tradition

Lesson for September 26, 1948

HERE IS a brief Bible quiz: What Christian man did Paul recommend to the Philippians as the one completely unselfish person he knew? When Paul needed a man to present his ideas to a "problem church," whom did he send? When Paul wanted reliable information about a church, on whose report did he depend? Whom did Paul call "son" more often than any one else? The answer to all these questions is the same: Timothy.

Dr. Foreman

Certainly a man whom the great Saint Paul found so congenial, so reliable, so unselfish and effective a Christian, is a man worth our careful attention. We ask this question about him: What made him what he was?

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Faith at Home

SOME MEN have to leave home to find faith. But perhaps the happiest Christians, certainly the most fortunate, are those who cannot remember what it was not to have faith. It was the atmosphere they breathed as children. The first people they knew were Christians, prayer and faith were taken for granted, the name of Christ was heard only in reverence and love, never in jest or anger.

Timothy grew up in such a home. When he became a mature, working Christian he had no wasted years to regret, no wild oats to pull up. The faith of his adult mind was not scarred by the acid remains of earlier doubt. Timothy's life was all of one piece. He was born to faith, he grew up in it.

Homes can do a great deal for the children who live in them. But nothing else — physical health, poise, culture, friends, ambition—nothing else is quite so valuable a gift or quite so lasting, as faith.

In later years faith may have to be pounded into a person or shocked into him; but in childhood faith is woven in, welded in, and that is as it should be. Happy the Christian who does not have to turn his back on his childhood when he turns his face to Christ!

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Book of Wisdom

"RELIGION cannot be taught, it can only be caught," is an old saying. It is partly true, for you cannot set any dozen people at random down on a bench and teach them into faith. If teaching religion were as simple as that, then every Sunday school could guarantee that every one of its graduates would become a saint. Nevertheless, religion can partly be taught, for in a book there may be crystallized the faith of many a generation. A book may concentrate and preserve the insight, the inspiration, the assurance of men and women who though dead yet speak.

Living with books of faith is like living with many families of faith at the same time. Such a book is the Bible. And it was the Bible, or so much of it as had been written, the Old Testament, which was the one Book in Timothy's boyhood home. Through the Scriptures, the boy's mother taught her son not merely her own faith but that of many a generation before her time.

In our own day, parents may feel that they come too far short of being saints, so they hesitate about urging their perhaps dimly-felt religion on their children. Yet in our Bible there is open to all fathers and mothers a means of placing their children in an atmosphere of intense faith.

Personal religious genius is rare; but even though you may be anything but a genius, you still can bring to your child the treasures of the Bible, product of the highest inspiration and insight the world has known.

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Women of the Family

TIMOTHY'S FATHER was a Greek, probably not a Christian. He and Timothy may never have understood each other. It was the women of the family who molded the boy's mind and heart, his mother, Eunice, and his grandmother, Lois.

It is always so. It is the women of a family who have most influence for faith or against it. The boy knows his mother before he knows any one else. She teaches him to talk, he absorbs her attitudes and ideas even before he understands them. If father and mother differ in religion, it is likely that children will follow mother rather than father.

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Even a Hindu Fakir Would Be Uncomfortable in This Bed

COLUMBUS, OHIO.—How would you like to sleep on a mattress stuffed with cigarette and chewing gum wrappers, milk bottle caps, nails, match boxes, wires, nuts and bolts?

That, said Gov. Thomas J. Herbert, is what a Cincinnati woman found in her infant daughter's new mattress after she became ill from wire jabs.

The governor was shown the mattress stuffing by W. J. Rogers, state director of industrial relations, who called for strengthening of the Ohio bedding inspection law.

The manufacturer of the mattress said it had been made by disgruntled employees.

Newport News wins baseball series from Lynchburg.

Boston Braves near to clinching National League title.

Beekeepers Honor Inventor Who Devised Simple Hive

GREENFIELD, MASS. — One hundred years ago a Congregational minister with a sweet tooth invented a "bee space."

Now beekeepers throughout the nation have erected a plaque in his memory.

The inventor was the Rev. Lorenzo L. Langstroth, who devised a hive, shaped like a box, from which racks of honey could be removed and empty ones substituted without disturbing the bees.

Until his invention in 1848, it was almost impossible to remove honey filled combs without dismantling the hive and destroying the bees.

The National Federation of Beekeepers associations says the simple invention made commercial production of honey possible.

Thurmond asked to deliver talk in Charlottesville.

Dewey opens drive in Des Moines.

Secretary Marshall flies to Paris for UN meeting.

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Rocks

Rocks, Sept. 20.- Farmers are busy cutting corn.

Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Marsh and daughter, of Norfolk were visiting parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Marsh recently.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Marsh, Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Marsh and daughter Lydia were to see Mrs. and Mrs. Eugene Davis and Mrs. Witt Woodall Saturday night.

Mrs. Amos Kress and daughter, Hazel went to Lynchburg Wednesday.

Miss Grace Simmons is staying in the home of R. L. Jennings and going to school.

Irene Simmons is staying in the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Hattie Ranson, and going to school.

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Cassie Baldwin was visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. Henry Wilkerson, at Prospect Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Williams and son, Steve, of Waynesboro were visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roach Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Royal Seay and daughter, of Richmond spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. R. C. Baldwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Dickerson and children called to see Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Ranson awhile last Saturday night.

Benny Dickerson, who spent a week here with his mother, Mrs. J. W. Dickerson, has returned to his duty in Alexander, Louisiana.

Mrs. Walter Ranson called to see Mrs. John Henry Ranson recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ranson spent Sunday in Lynchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Ranson and children went to Amherst County Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Toby Inge spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Garrette, of near Lynchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Inge spent Sunday with Mrs. D. R. Inge.

The Rev. C. G. Carter preached a fine sermon at Rocks Sunday.

Special music was rendered by Miss Annie C. Martin and Miss Etta Ranson, and Miss Geraldine Ranson at the piano.

The Rev. and Mrs. Carter were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cal Ranson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roach and children went on a picnic Sunday.

Play safe —drive carefully.

Trinity Road

Trinity Road, Sept. 21.- My, my, we really enjoyed our trip to Tangier Island with Father Darkleaf. Very educational. All students should read it; Va. history.

Hope Father Darkleaf will take us to see "Common Glory" in Williamsburg. Quite a few Appomatox residents saw it this summer, but a larger number did not.

Miss Jean Stratton, of Gladys, spent the week-end at home.

Mrs. Marvin Kent, of Lynchburg visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brent Stratton this week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Drinkard had as their guests last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Oakes, of Gladys and Mrs. W. T. Younger, of Rustburg and Mr. and Mrs. Paul S. Drinkard, of Appomattox.

Mrs. R. H. Routon spent several days last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Stratton. Mrs. Lizzie Stratton, of Lynchburg, is spending some time in this home.

Mr. and Mrs. Maddox and daughters, of Brookneal were guests in the home of R. C. Wright and family last Sunday.

Little Miss Jean Pattrick has been confined to her home with a sore foot. Hope she'll soon be back at school.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Routon and Mr. and Mrs. James Noonan, of Cambly, Indiana, are the house guests of Mrs. S. E. Anderson. They will attend the Routon family picnic in the home of Mrs. Mary Lucy Alvis at Spout Spring today.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Gunter and "baby Sambo," of Petersburg visited the former's mother, Mrs. Martin Kraus and Mr. Kraus last week.

There will be a special Mission program by the Junior Organizations of Hebron Church Sunday at 11 A. M.

The Rev. Edward Hughes preached a splendid sermon at Hebron Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Stratton are expected home this week after vacationing in Mississippi, with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Thomas.

Mrs. W. A. Owen, of Concord, is visiting Mrs. E. H. Carson.

Wirt and Guy Cabell left this week to go back to the University of Virginia, after spending the vacation between summer school with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Cabell. Henry Cabell spent the entire vacation with his parents, returning to Lynchburg College this week.

Miss Josephine Martin received her diploma from Phillips Business College last Friday, and has accepted a position with the college.

Miss Ann Cabell has arrived at Mrs. Clayton Drinkard's for a stay.

Oakville

Oakville, Sept. 21.- Mr. and Mrs. Terry Rogers and Linda; Watt and Daphne Smith, Mrs. G. Roland Smith and Mrs. J. W. Martin went to Richmond Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. C. Roland Smith, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Moore. Little Dennis Moore returned with his grandmother for a few week's stay.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis S. McCormick, Jr. on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Williamson Wooten, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lee Bass and Doris Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Layne and family, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Garrett, Andrew Smith, Dick Franklin and John Grisham.

The Rev. and Mrs. D. M. Spence and daughter were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Moore Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Burnette Smith and family spent Sunday with Mrs. E. B. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Drinkard and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Drinkard.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Moore, of Roanoke are visiting Mrs. E. B. Martin and other relatives.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wilkerson at Bedford, Va. a baby girl, September 13th.

Miss Grace Hackworth of Lynchburg spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Clarke Moore

Jim Page, of Lynchburg is visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Page and other relatives this week.

We extend sympathy to the loved ones of Ryland Mann, who passed away last week. He will be greatly missed by his many friends.

Hixburg

Hixburg, Sept. 21.- The meeting at Mathews Baptist Church closed Friday night. Had good attendance and good sermons each night. Seven new members came into the church and one by letter. The Baptists are planning a Home Coming Day the second Sunday in October. There will be two services. Rev. J. S. Moore will preach in the morning and the speaker for the P. M. will be announced later. Lunch on the grounds. Mrs. Sam Harwood will be back for the music.

Mrs. E. P. Sears was in Richmond last week to consult her doctor.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas McClure, of Glasgow and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Terry, of Cumberland, have been recent visitors in the home of J. B. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. James Guild, of Richmond and Miss Gertrude Sears, also of Richmond and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sears, of Lynchburg were the week-end guests of their parents on September 12.

Mrs. H. M. Marshall, of Pamplin spent Friday evening with Miss Mag Ike.

J. R. Marshall is slowly improving at his home, "Walnut Shade," here. Recent callers there were Mr. and Mrs. Owen McCraw and Mr. and Mrs. Ray McCraw, of Lynchburg.

Mrs. E. W. Gilliam and Marshall Watkins, of Farmville; Mr. and Mrs. Lester Sears, Mrs. E. M. Sears, E. P. Sears, Hallie Singleton, Otis Gilliam, R. K. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Topping, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Carson, Mrs. S. C. Drinkard, Mrs. Ural Carson, Mrs. Jim Carson, C. W. Reynolds and little 'Pat' from Richfond, were other callers.

Lester Sears will soon be moving into his new home. The bricklayers are busy finishing the chimney.

Harwood Hix graduated from Phillips Secretarial College, Lynchburg, September 17. He will be taking a position seen. He is spending a few days with his father, Wilson Hix.

Spout Spring

Spout Spring, Sept. 21.- Miss Alice Jennings spent last week with Miss Anna Belle Housman, of Lynchburg, who lost her mother, Mrs. J. R. Wooldridge last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Jennings and daughters, Alice and Claudine visited Miss Anna Bell Housman Sunday evening.

Colored News

Carsue and Jean Hoskins have returned to New York to school after visiting their mother, Mrs. N. R. Jordan.

Miss Levaughan Hoskins, who majored in art at Virginia State College, is now teaching in the city schools of Richmond, Va.

The regular meeting of the N. A. A. C. P. will be held with the Canaan Baptist Church Wednesday evening, October 6, at 8 o'clock. All members are requested to be present. Business of importance. These meetings are open to all who desire to attend or wish to join and become regular members.

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From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

Nicest Compliment I've Had

One of the nicest comments I've received about this column was from an editor in the Middle West called on. Ans while I don't like to give myself orchids, I think it illustrates a point.

"Joe," he said, "it so happens I don't agree with everything you say, but I always like to run your column. Because it gets down to earth and talks about the right to disagree. And it only asks for tolerance towards the other person's point of view."

He went on to explain, by way of illustration, that he never had happened to have a taste for ale or beer. But that when I spoke of the right to enjoy a moderate beverage like beer, well, he was right there with me!

And from where I sit, that's the important thing: not whether you share another person's tastes or point of view—but whether you recognize his right to exercise a free choice in a free land.

Joe Marsh

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